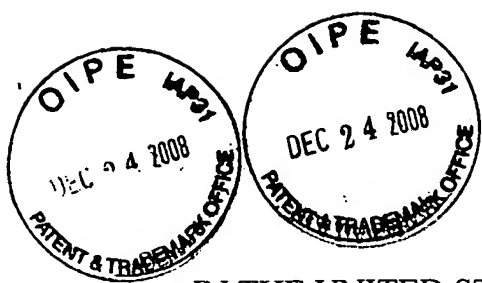


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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December 24, 2008

Sir:

The Office Action dated November 28, 2008 has been received and carefully noted.

The following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

Amendments to the drawings are submitted beginning on page 2.

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